HOUSE No. 110

By Mr. Larkin of Pittsfield, petition of Peter J. Larkin and others for legislation to regulate out-of-state contributions to ballot question committees. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Peter J. Larkin Matthew C. Patrick Alice K. Wolf Thomas J. O'Brien

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING OUT-OF-STATE SOLICITATION AND ACCEPTED CONTRIBUTIONS FOR BALLOT QUESTION COMMITTEES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 6B of chapter 55 of the General Laws, as appearing in
- 2 the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the
- 3 first sentence the following sentence:—
- 4 A ballot question committee may solicit or accept contributions
- 5 from an individual who is not a resident of the state at the time at
- 6 which the contribution is made, but the amounts accepted from
- 7 individuals who are not residents may not exceed 10 percent of
- 8 total contributions made to the ballot question committee during
- 9 the calendar or group year in which the contributions are received.